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### LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK TO BEGIN ISSUING MARRIAGE LICENSES TO SAME-SEX COUPLES

Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk (RR/CC) Dean Logan announced that his office is taking immediate action to comply with the court's order to cease to enforce Proposition 8 after August 18 at 5:00 p.m. Please be advised that no marriage licenses may be issued or civil marriage ceremonies performed for same gender couples prior to 5:00 p.m. on August 18; the effective date of the Court's order.

The RR/CC will make accommodations by extending regular office hours in order to begin issuing marriage licenses and perform civil marriage ceremonies at designated County facilities after 5:00 p.m. on August 18. Information on extended hours and locations will be released and posted on the RR/CC website [www.lavote.net](http://www.lavote.net) by Friday, August 13 after 5:00 p.m.

"The RR/CC is committed to providing the highest level of quality customer service and will seek to meet customer demand for every qualified couple seeking a marriage license or a civil marriage ceremony at County facilities," Logan said.

Demand for marriage license services may increase as a result of the ruling. "We encourage members of the public to prepare ahead of time by reviewing the attached information on Marriage License Information or by accessing information online at [www.lamarriage.lacounty.gov](http://www.lamarriage.lacounty.gov)" Logan said. For further information, please call (562) 462-2081.

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## **ABOUT THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK**

The mission of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk is to serve Los Angeles County by providing essential records management and election services in a fair, accessible and transparent manner.

### **FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

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Information about other Los Angeles County services is provided at [www.lacounty.gov](http://www.lacounty.gov)

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Persons requiring multilingual assistance in Chinese, Japanese, Korean, Spanish, Tagalog/Filipino, or Vietnamese can call (800) 481-8683.



## Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

It is the mission of our office to provide quality and professional service. We have a duty to meet customer requests in a respectful and efficient manner. We look forward to serving you.

*Dean C. Logan*

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### How do you apply...

**PLEASE NOTE: NO MARRIAGE LICENSES MAY BE COMPLETED OR CEREMONIES PERFORMED UNTIL THE STAY IS LIFTED ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18.**

- Visit one of our RR/CC office locations or go to our website [www.lamarriage.lacounty.gov](http://www.lamarriage.lacounty.gov) to apply online.

### What you need...

- Both parties must be present together and produce "Proof of Identity" and age documents, such as a government issued photo id. Photo and age verification is mandatory. All documents must be in English.
- Both parties must appear to apply for and pick up their marriage license.
- You must pay the fee of \$90 for the marriage license and \$85 for a confidential license.
- If you have been divorced within the last two years you must bring in a certified copy of your divorce.

### Requesting ceremonies...

- Do I have to be a U.S. Citizen or a resident of Los Angeles County or the state of California to obtain a marriage license? **NO**
- Do I need a blood test or health certificate? **NO**
- Do I need to get married the same day as I get the license? **NO** (Licenses are valid for 90 days from the date of issue)
- Do I need to terminate my state-registered domestic partnership if I'm marrying the same person?  
*See the Secretary of State's website at [www.sos.ca.gov](http://www.sos.ca.gov)*

### How to apply for a Civil Marriage ceremony...

- The Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk performs Civil Marriage ceremonies upon request.
- The fee for the civil ceremony is \$25. Payment can be made in cash or by check or money order, made payable to the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk or RRCC. If paying by check, valid government issued identification (i.e., Driver's License) of the signer is required and must be presented at the time of request.
- Contact your nearest RR/CC office for additional information or to make a Civil Service appointment.
- We cannot guarantee you a Civil Ceremony appointment the same day as your marriage license is issued.
- At least one witness must be present at the ceremony unless the couple is marrying using a confidential marriage license in which case no witness is required. **Parties are responsible for bringing their own witnesses. If you do not have a witness one can be provided for a fee of \$18.** Please contact the office nearest you for more information.